

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	10134	Agenda Number	49.
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Meeting Date:	October 6, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of 30-month contracts with twenty four separate social service agencies, or other qualified offerors to RFP No. WDJ0004, to provide a variety of social services beginning April 1, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$33,014,097 each and combined, with options to extend each contract for two 12-month periods in a total amount not to exceed \$13,205,639 each and combined, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$59,425,375 each and combined.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$6,602,820 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. Funding for the remaining twenty-four months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent on available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Wilbur Jones, Buyer I, 972-4013
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	These contracts will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified, therefore; no goals were established for this solicitation.
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

These contracts are for social services to be provided beginning April 1, 2012 for an initial thirty-month period ending on September 31, 2014, with two 12-month extension options. Services are varied, but address all of the five self-sufficiency goals as outlined in the comprehensive plan as either a primary or secondary goal.

This recommendation results from a formal Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The RFP was issued on October 11, 2010. Seventy-three proposals were received. One proposal was disqualified for an Anti-Lobbying violation and one proposal was withdrawn by the submitting agency. Based on the weighted scoring matrix approved by the City Council, the 30 highest-scoring proposals are being recommended for funding.

The City has a long history of partnering with local non-profit agencies to provide a wide range of social services to the community. Although there have been competitive processes for specific services, there has not been an overall social services competition since 1999. With leadership from the Public Health and Human Services Committee, the RFP was developed in 2010 to address the Self-Sufficiency Continuum identified in the current City Comprehensive Plan. The evaluation matrix weighted the scores based on the following priority order: Safety Net/Infrastructure Services, Transition Out of Poverty, Problem Prevention, Universal Support Services, and Enrichment.

On September 22, 2011, the Health and Human Services Department received Council approval to extend the 51 existing social service contracts to cover the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012. The 30 new social service contracts will become effective on April 1, 2012. All of the recommended agencies currently provide social services to the City of Austin.